

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

TAKESHITA et al.

Application No.: 10/791,853

Filing Date: March 4, 2004

For: Method for Producing Alcohol by Using  
Microorganism

Art Unit: 1651

Examiner: MARX, Irene

Attorney Ref. No.: US-163

Confirmation No.: 5567

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2007, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply, one month(s) to June 15, 2007.

☐ The period for response has previously been extended to .

Please charge ☒ the credit card identified in EFS-Web processing or ☐ our deposit account **50-2821** the requisite fees for this petition. Also, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, necessary to maintain pendency of this application to the same deposit account.

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